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**INTERESTS** Primary: public economics (energy and climate policy)  
Secondary: political economy (media and political narratives), text as data

**EMPLOYMENT** **Faculty of Business and Economics, University of Basel**  
*Ph.D. Candidate and Assistant in Public Economics* Sep 2021 –

**Law, Economics and Data Science group, ETH Zürich**  
*Doctoral Research Affiliate* Sep 2021 –  
*Scientific Assistant* Feb 2020 – Aug 2021

**United Nations Conference on Trade and Development**  
*Intern, Research and Policy Analysis* Aug 2019 – Jan 2020

**EDUCATION** **University of Lausanne (HEC)**  
*Master of Science, Economics, 2019*  
– Spring 2019: Master’s thesis on the trade of natural gas and interstate conflicts  
– Fall 2018: Exchange semester at the University of Mannheim  
*Bachelor of Science, Economics, 2017*

**RESEARCH** **Working Papers**  
– *Cable News and COVID-19 Vaccine Compliance*, with Christoph Goessmann and Matteo Pinna

**Policy Publications**  
– Slany A, Chérel-Robson M and Picard L (2020). *Illicit financial flows and sustainable development: Panel-data evidence for Africa*. Background paper for the Economic Development in Africa Report 2020. UNCTAD.

**TEACHING ASSISTANCE** – Bachelor Seminar in Public and Environmental Economics, University of Basel, Spring 2022  
– Master Seminar in Public and Environmental Economics, University of Basel, Spring 2022  
– Economics of Public Policy, University of Basel, Fall 2021  
– Big Data for Public Policy, ETH Zürich, Spring 2021  
– Statistics and Applied Econometrics: Introduction, University of Lausanne, Spring 2019

**COMPUTER SKILLS** Programming: Python, Bash  
Statistics: Stata, R  
Database management: SQL  
Typesetting: LaTeX, Markdown  
Environments: Linux, SSH, Git

**LANGUAGES** French: mother tongue  
English: proficient  
German: intermediate (B1/B2)